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in re the Application of:

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LIGHT DIFFUSION PLATE, TRANSMISSION TYPE SCREEN, AND DISPLAY DEVICE

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

For:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 6, 2004, having a shortened period for response set to expire on November 6, 2004. A Petition for a one-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to December 6, 2004. Applicants elect Species I, the embodiment 1 illustrated in FIGS. 1A, 1B, 3, and 7 and claims 1-10, 15, and 16-20 readable thereon. Applicants reserve the right to further prosecute without prejudice the non-elected Species II-V, the embodiments 2-5 illustrated in FIGS. 4-7, 8A-8B, 9-17, 18, and 19A-19B, and the claims readable thereon.

If there are any additional fees associated with this Response, please charge same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

Respectfully submitted,

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